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1. KENYA MOD HAS NOMINATED CAPT. J. K. WANGOMBE AND
SGT. P. SIERO TO RECEIVE TRAINING REQUESTED USCINCEUR
REF MESSAGE. TO MEET COURSE CONVENING DATE OF 30 JAN.
AND TO CONFORM TO REQUIREMENT TO USE U.S. FLAGE AIR
CARRIER, THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE FT. BENNING ON
TUESDAY, JAN. 27.

2. WE HAVE DISCUSSED OJT TRAINING (TO FOLLOW BASIC
AIRBORNE AND PATHFINDER COURSES) WITH KENYA MOD. THEY
HAVE PROVIDED DETAILED BACKGROUND ON CANDIDATES FOR
TRAINING, CONTAINED PARA 3. SINCE BOTH MEN HAVE
UNDERGONE INSTRUCTORS TRAINING AT BRITISH FACILITIES,
KENYA MOD BELIEVES THEY WILL NOT WISH DURING OJT
SEGMENT TO SPEND MUCH TIME ON LEARNING INSTRUCTORS'
PERSPECTIVE, HOW TO MANAGE COURSES, ETC. RATHER, THEY
WILL WANT TO SOLIDIFY FAMILIARITY WITH T-10 PARACHUTE
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EQUIPMENT AND IDENTIFY STEPS WHICH WILL BE NECESSARY

TO RE-TRAIN EXISTING PARACHUTISTS ON NEW EQUIPMENT. THIS CAN BEST WORKED OUT, KENYA MOD BELIEVES, AFTER KENYAN INSTRUTORS HAVE WORKED WITH THE NEW EQUIPMENT IN BASIC AIRBORNE COURSE. HOPE THIS INFORMATION IS SUFFICIENT TO PERMIT PROGRAMMING OF 4 WEEKS OJT.

3. KENYA MOD HAS CERTIFIED THAT BOTH CANDIDATES ARE PHYSICALLY FIT TO UNDERGO AIRBORNE TRAINING. FOLLOWING DATA IS PROVIDED ON THEIR EXPERIENCE:

A. THE CAPTAIN IS THE OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, THE PARACHUTE JUMP INSTRUCTOR'S SECTION WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR TRAINING OUR PARACHUTISTS. HE IS ALREADY A TRAINED PJI ON THE BRITISH PX IMK 4 PARACHUTES, HAVING ATTENDED 8 MONTHS INSTRUCTORS COURSE IN UK. HE HAS DONE 54 STATIC LINE AND 11 FREE FALL JUMPS. FOR HIS JUMPS THE OFFICER HAS USED C-130, DH CARIBOU, CESSNA 130, CESSNA 180 AIRCRAFTS.

B. THE SERGEANT WHO IS A PJI HAS HAD A SIMILAR TRAINING USING SAME EQUIPMENT EXCEPT HE HAS NOT DONE FREE FALL, AND HE HAS NOT JUMPED FROM CESSNA TYPE OF AIRCRAFTS BUT HE HAS JUMPED FROM ARGOSY, BEVERLEY AND HASTINGS AIRCRAFTS.

C. THE HEIGHT OF THE JUMPS ARE FROM 1000-800 FT. BASIC TRAINING, 800-600 OPERATIONAL JUMPS AND FROM 1200 FT. FOR WATER DESCENT.

D. THE GROUND TRAINING EQUIPMENT USED IN KENYA INCLUDE FLIGHT SIMULATOR, EXIT SIMULATOR, WHEEL TRAINER AND MOCK CARIBOU AIRCRAFT. THE CURRENT SCPEP (STRAP CARRYING PERSONNEL EQUIPMENT PARACHUTISTS) WERE DESIGNED TO FIT WITH THE PK IMK 4 PARACHUTES BUT WE ARE THINKING OF CHANGING THEM AS THEY DO NOT CONFORM TO THE CURRENT WEAPONS.
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